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For: **MULTIWELL PLATE HAVING TRANSPARENT WELL BOTTOMS AND METHOD
FOR MAKING THE MULTIWELL PLATE**

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AMENDMENT

In response to the First Office Action dated January 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Claim 11 has been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 4, 8 and 12 have been amended and Claims 24-26 as follows:

--4. (Once Amended) The multiwell plate of Claim 3, wherein said glass is a pyrolyzed glass that has reactive groups which interact with said additive to strengthen a bond between said adhesive and said layer.

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